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Lisa R. Smittkamp 5099 Public Well Street Paris, Illinois 61944

RE:

ILLINOIS RIVERS PROJECT
Tax ID No(s): 14-18-27-300-009

Dear Property Owner:

Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois ("ATXI") has received authorization from the Illinois Commerce Commission to construct a new 345,000 volt electric transmission line through portions of Illinois. The Commission issued a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in Docket No. 12-0598 on August 20, 2013 which approves selected segments of the route for the line. The Certificate and the Order authorizing ATXI to construct selected segments of the transmission line were granted under Sections 8-406.1 and 8-503 of the Public Utilities Act. This transmission line, which is known as the Illinois Rivers Project, will affect property you own.

The Illinois Rivers Project is part of a group of Multi Value Projects that were approved by the regional electric transmission organization known as the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) of which ATXI is a member. Multi Value Projects have been identified as providing a number of material benefits to the regional and Illinois electric transmission system. Specifically, the Illinois Rivers Project will facilitate the delivery of renewable energy from wind generation in Illinois and throughout the Midwest. This project will also strengthen the transmission system and improve electric service reliability to homes and businesses in the central Illinois region. Another major benefit of the project will be relief from load congestion, making the system more efficient and thereby reducing costs.

The transmission line will be constructed using single-shaft steel poles and will be built to meet all regulatory and safety requirements. The poles will be placed on concrete foundations, and their height will range from 80 to 140 feet with the typical distance between the poles being approximately 700 feet.

ATXI seeks to negotiate the purchase of an easement or other land rights for the new transmission line across land that you own in Edgar County, Illinois. A Contract Land Staff representative, working as a contractor on ATXI's behalf, will contact you sometime after September 21, 2013 to schedule a meeting to discuss the project in detail and to negotiate a fair and reasonable agreement with you for the easement rights ATXI is seeking. If you would like to contact Contract Land Staff sooner to arrange a mutually agreeable time for an appointment, please call Amanda Sloan at (877) 686-6205 or write to them at 3200 Pleasant Run, Suite C, Springfield, IL 62711.

Enclosed is a "Statement of Information from the Illinois Commerce Commission Concerning Acquisition of Rights of Way by Illinois Utilities" and a project overview map for your information. For more information about the Illinois Rivers project, or for a list of contractors that might be contacting you regarding the easement on your property, please see the Project Website at www.ilriverstransmission.com.

We look forward to meeting with you to discuss the project in detail.

Sincerely,

Rick Trelz, Managing Supervisor, Real Estate Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois

Enclosures:

Illinois Rivers Project map

Statement of Information from the Illinois Commerce Commission

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STATE OF ILLINOIS ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

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Petition for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, pursuant to Section 8-406.1 of the Illinois Public)	
Utilities Act, and an Order pursuant to Section 8-503 of the Public Utilities Act, to Construct, Operate and Maintain a New High Voltage Electric Service Line and Related Facilities in the Counties of Adams, Brown, Cass, Champaign, Christian, Clark, Coles, Edgar, Fulton, Macon, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott and Shelby, Illinois.		No. 12-0598
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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF EDGAR)

STEPHEN EITEL, after first being duly sworn on oath, deposes and states:

- 1. I am the legal owner of farmland and residential property in Edgar County, Illinois.
- 2. My home address is 1225 N. High Street, Paris, Illinois 61944.
- 3. The Edgar County real estate tax bills for the farmland are mailed to me at my home address, and have been since before this proceeding began.
- 4. On September 10, 2013, I received a letter dated September 6, 2013, from Ameren, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 5. This letter from Ameren was the first notice I ever received of the proposed transmission line project and of this proceeding, ICC Docket No. 12-0598.
 - 6. Because I was not given any notice of this proceeding, I have not had any

opportunity to participate in ths case, nor to propose an alternate route, nor to submit testimony, nor to attend any hearing.

7. The Order filed in this case on August 20, 2013, recommends the approval of the Edgar County segment route, including that part of the route which crosses directly over Petitioner's property, and directly and adversely affects Petitioners' interests.

STEPHEN EITEL

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 23rd day of September, 2013.

Notary Public

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NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 09-28-2016





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Stephen W. Eitel 1225 North High Paris, Illinois 61944

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GARY TRESNER

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Notary Public

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"OFFICIAL SEAL"
VANESSA BECKER
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 08-13-2016